




# Solo Leveling

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WHY DO YOU WANT  
TO WORK OUT WITH  
ME ALL OF A  
SUDDEN?



WELL, I FEEL LIKE  
YOU'RE GETTING A  
LITTLE FULL OF  
YOURSELF.



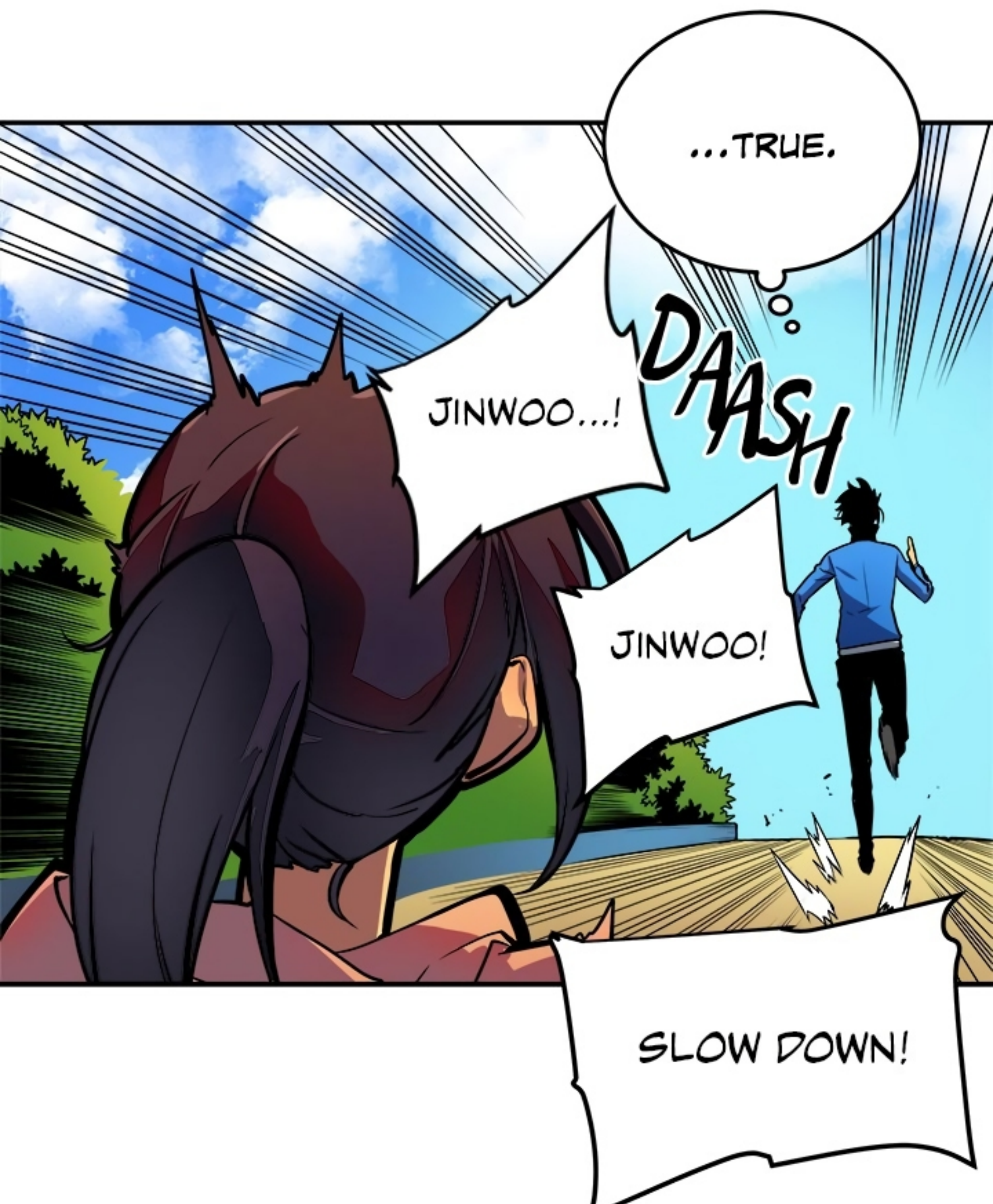
PLUS, IT'S NOT  
GOOD TO SIT AT  
A DESK ALL  
DAY.

I'M NOT GOING  
TO WAIT FOR YOU  
IF YOU CAN'T  
KEEP UP.











WE'RE  
CONSTRUCTING  
THIS BUILDING TO USE  
AS THE GUILD'S  
OFFICE.

THE ESTIMATED  
VALUE IS ABOUT  
30 BILLION WON, BUT  
IT'LL PROBABLY BE  
MORE THAN  
THAT.

A BUILDING  
WORTH 30 BILLION  
WON FOR GOING ON  
19 C-RANK RAIDS...

SO YOU'RE SAYING  
IT'S A SMALL PRICE  
TO PAY, AS LONG AS  
YOU CAN BECOME A  
GUILD MASTER?

THAT'S  
CORRECT,  
SIR.

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

30 BILLION.

NORMALLY,  
I WOULDN'T HAVE  
ANY REASON TO  
REFUSE, BUT...

...I'M A SPECIAL CASE.

I'M AWARE.

I'M A SPECIAL



CASE EVEN AMONG  
THOSE THAT HAVE  
REAWAKENED.

SINCE A  
HUNTER THAT'S  
ABLE TO BECOME  
MORE POWERFUL  
IS PRETTY MUCH  
UNHEARD OF.

IF I  
CONTINUE TO LEVEL  
UP AT THIS RATE, I'LL  
SOON BE AN S-RANK.  
NO, MAYBE I COULD  
GO EVEN HIGHER  
THAN THAT.

IF THAT HAPPENS,  
30 BILLION WON  
WOULD BE  
NOTHING.


BUT...

I HAVE ONE  
CONDITION.

ANYTHING, SIR!

***YOU  
AND ME.***





ONLY THE TWO  
OF US WILL GO  
ON THESE  
RAIDS.

S...SIR.

IF I'M UNDERSTANDING  
YOU CORRECTLY... JUST  
THE TWO OF US WILL  
CLEAR THE C-RANK  
DUNGEONS?

IS THAT WHAT  
YOU'RE SAYING?

YOU  
UNDERSTOOD  
PERFECTLY.

TREMBLE

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B, BUT WE NEED AT  
LEAST 10 MEMBERS TO  
ENTER THE C-RANK  
GATES...

TREMBLE

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PEOPLE  
WOULD LINE UP IF WE  
TOLD THEM WE'D PAY  
THEM FOR THIS



THEM FOR JUST  
BEING THERE.

WE'D BE USING  
THE SAME METHOD  
HWANG DONGSUK  
USED.

S, STILL,  
WOULDN'T THAT BE  
TOO DANGEROUS,  
SIR?

YOU CAN'T SEE  
BEYOND YOUR  
OWN NOSE.

SIGH

TO PUT THINGS  
IN A DIFFERENT  
PERSPECTIVE, NO ONE  
WILL GET HURT AS  
LONG AS WE'RE  
OKAY.

THINK  
ABOUT IT. WHEN  
WE SUCCESSFULLY  
COMPLETE THOSE 19  
RAIDS AFTER FORMING  
THE SQUAD...

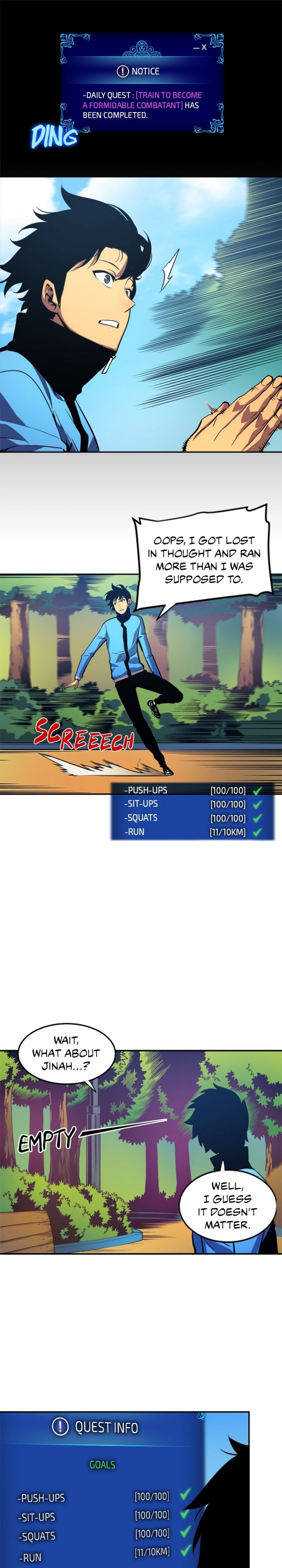
WE'LL  
BE KNOWN AS THE  
STRIKE SQUAD THAT  
CLEARED 19 WHOLE  
RAIDS WITH NO  
ACCIDENTS.

WOULDN'T IT  
HELP CONVINCE YOUR  
FATHER THAT YOU'RE  
CAPABLE?

I SEE...!

SOUNDS GOOD, SIR!  
I'LL PUT TOGETHER  
A TEAM.





! NOTICE

-DAILY QUEST : [TRAIN TO BECOME A FORMIDABLE COMBATANT] HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

DING

OOPS, I GOT LOST IN THOUGHT AND RAN MORE THAN I WAS SUPPOSED TO.

SCREEECH

-PUSH-UPS	[100/100]	✓
-SIT-UPS	[100/100]	✓
-SQUATS	[100/100]	✓
-RUN	[11/10KM]	✓

WAIT, WHAT ABOUT JINAH...?

EMPTY

WELL, I GUESS IT DOESN'T MATTER.

! QUEST INFO

GOALS

-PUSH-UPS	[100/100]	✓
-SIT-UPS	[100/100]	✓
-SQUATS	[100/100]	✓
-RUN	[11/10KM]	✓



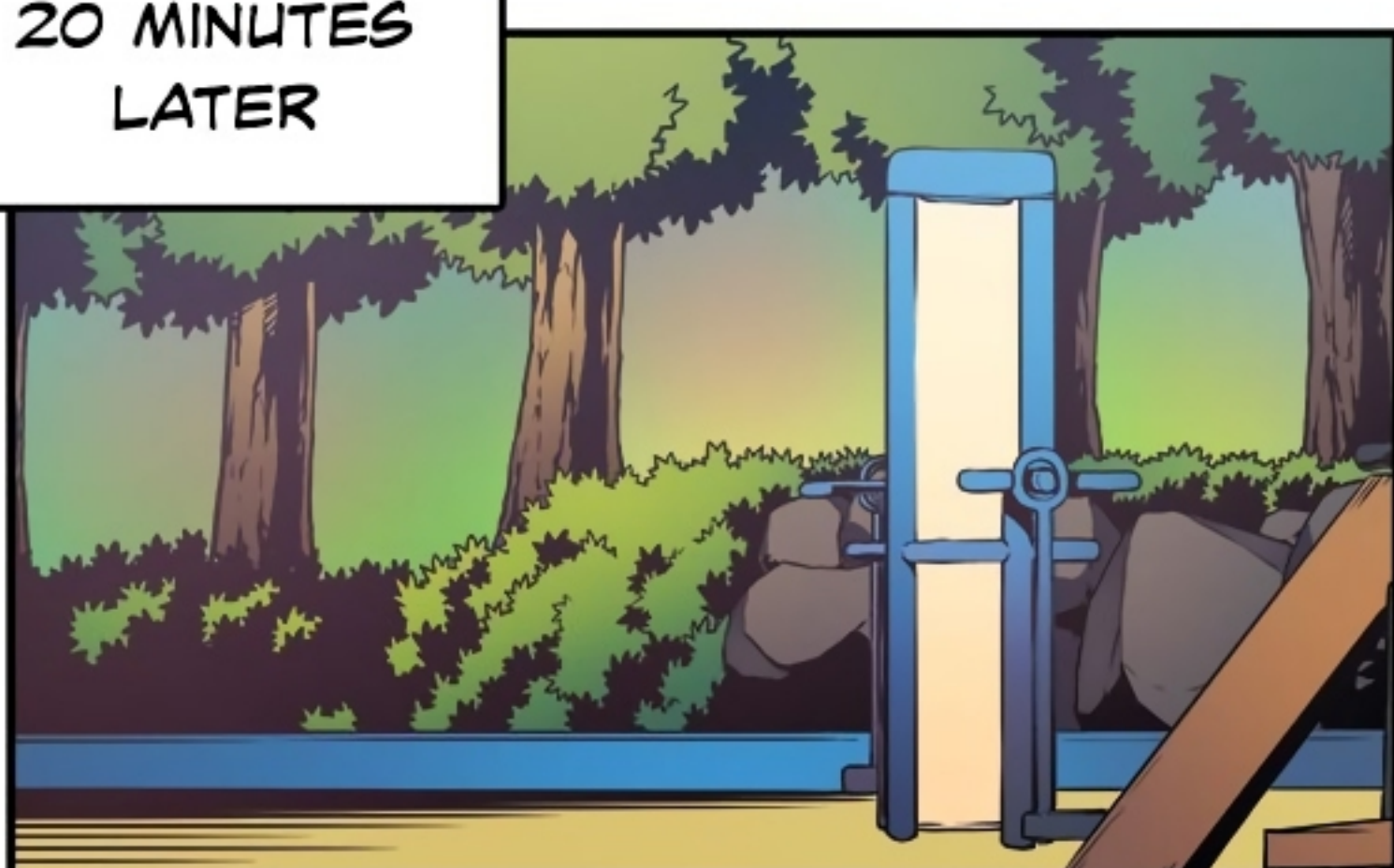
\*CAUTION: IF THE DAILY QUEST REMAINS INCOMPLETE, PENALTIES WILL BE APPLIED ACCORDINGLY.

WHY IS IT KEEPING TRACK OF THE EXTRA EXERCISE I'M DOING EVEN THOUGH I'VE ALREADY COMPLETED THE QUEST?

MAYBE I SHOULD TRY PUSHING MYSELF TO THE LIMIT. I STILL FEEL ENERGIZED, AND I HAVE TO WAIT FOR JINAH ANYWAY.

HUP

20 MINUTES LATER



-PUSH-UPS

[200/100] ✓

-SIT-UPS

[200/100] ✓

-SQUATS

[200/100] ✓

-RUN

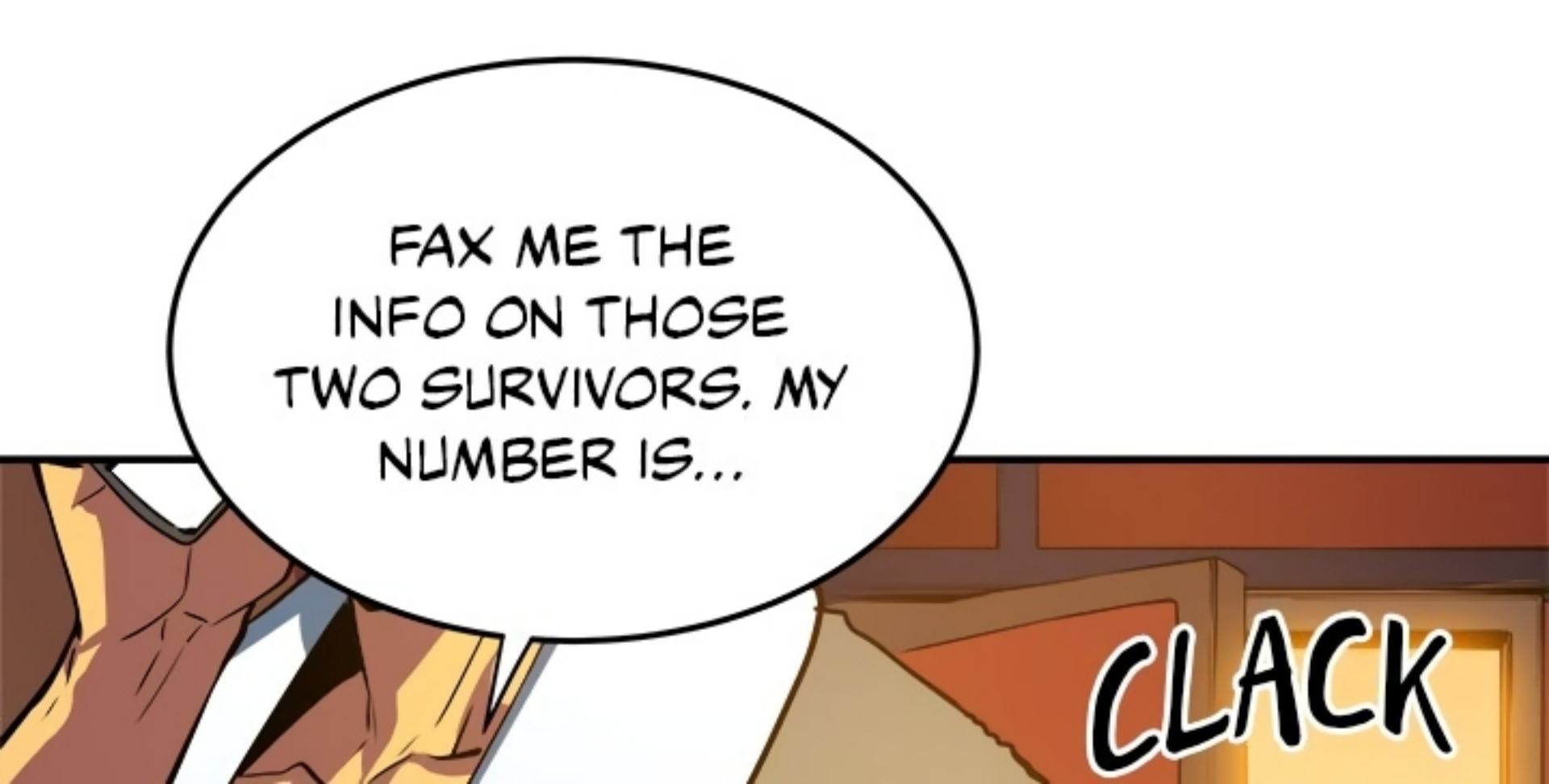
[11/10KM] ✓

THE NUMBERS WON'T GO ANY HIGHER THAN 200.

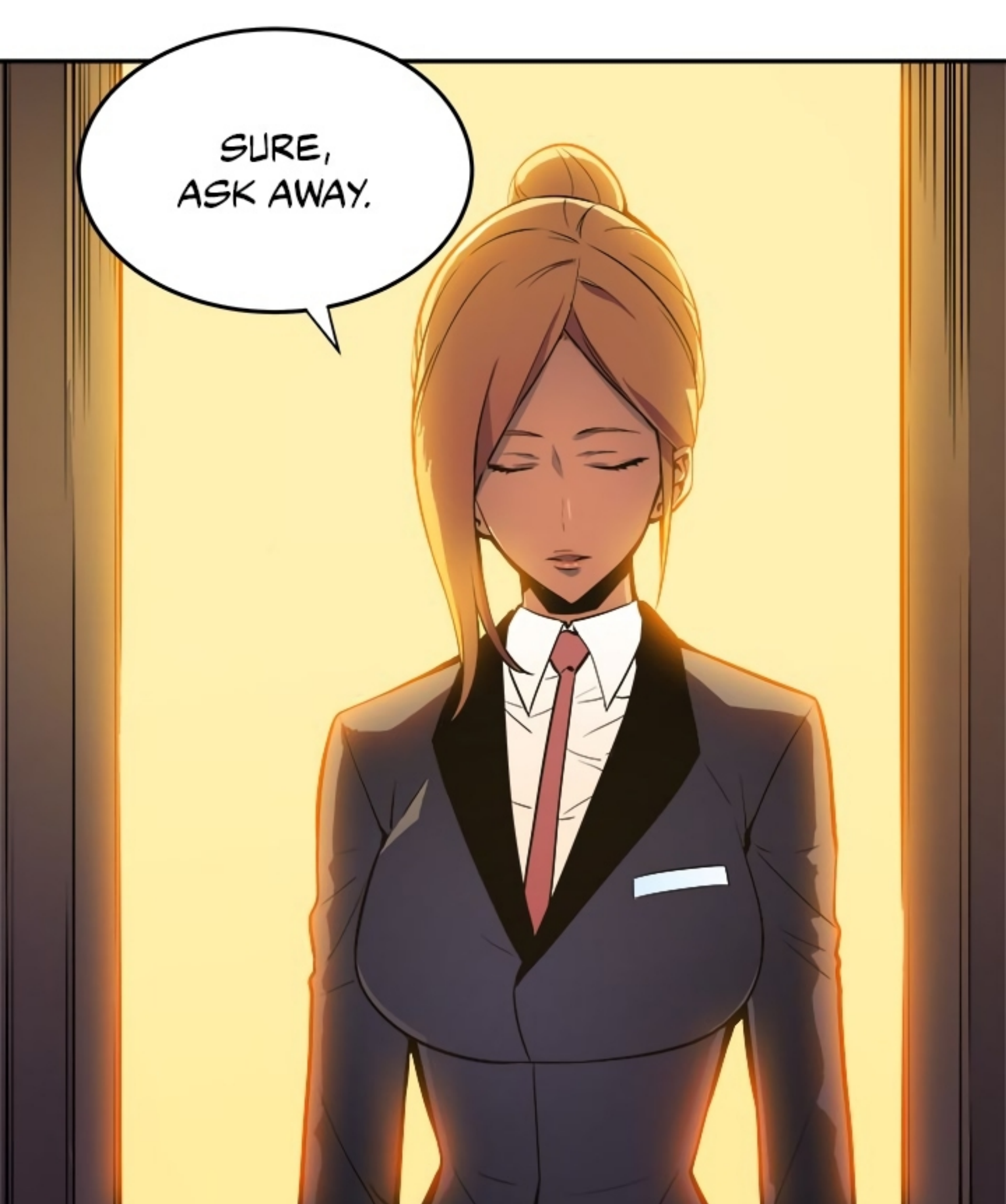
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IS IT THE SAME FOR RUNNING?









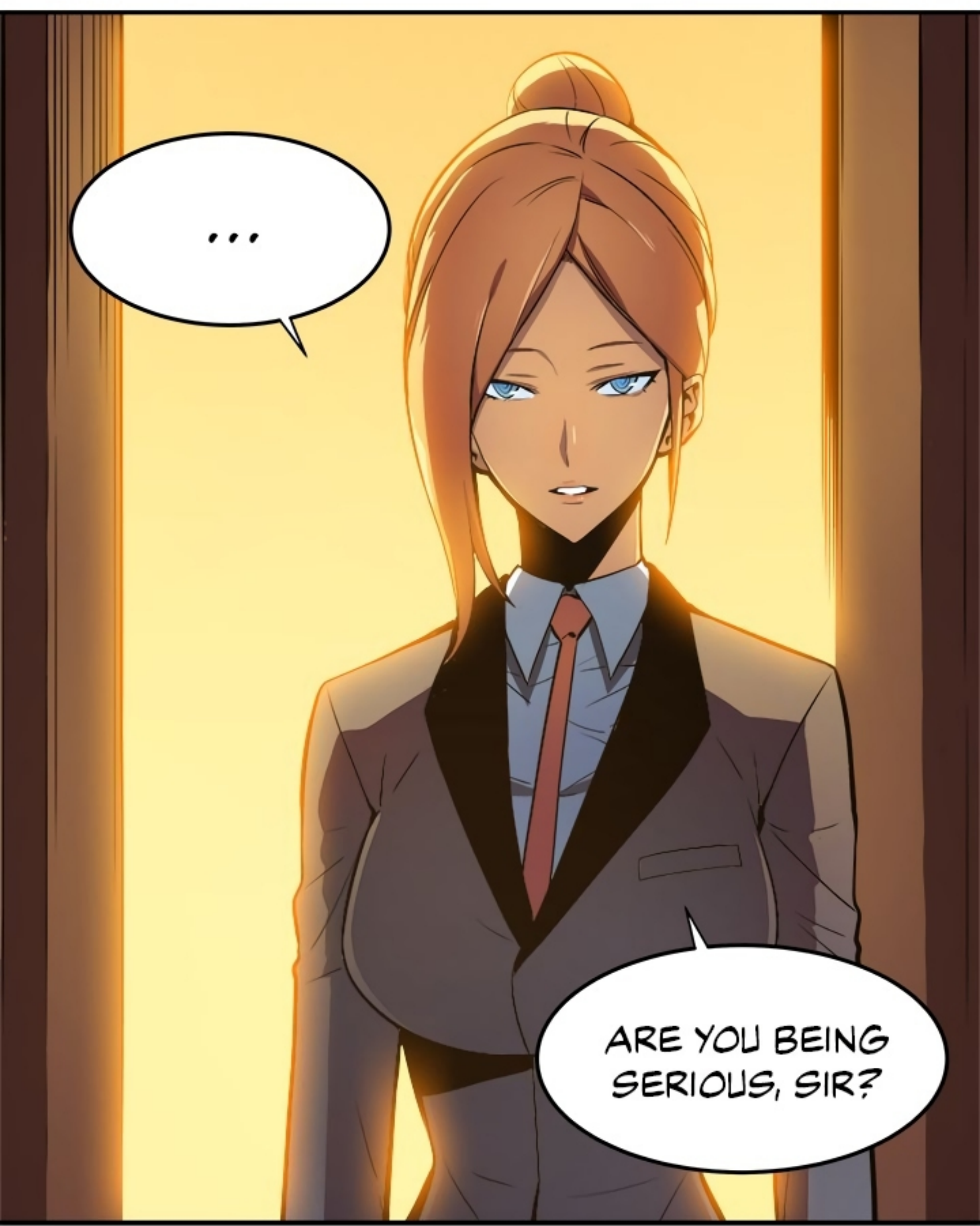




WHAT WOULD  
HAPPEN IF I  
WERE TO KILL  
SOMEONE IN  
KOREA?

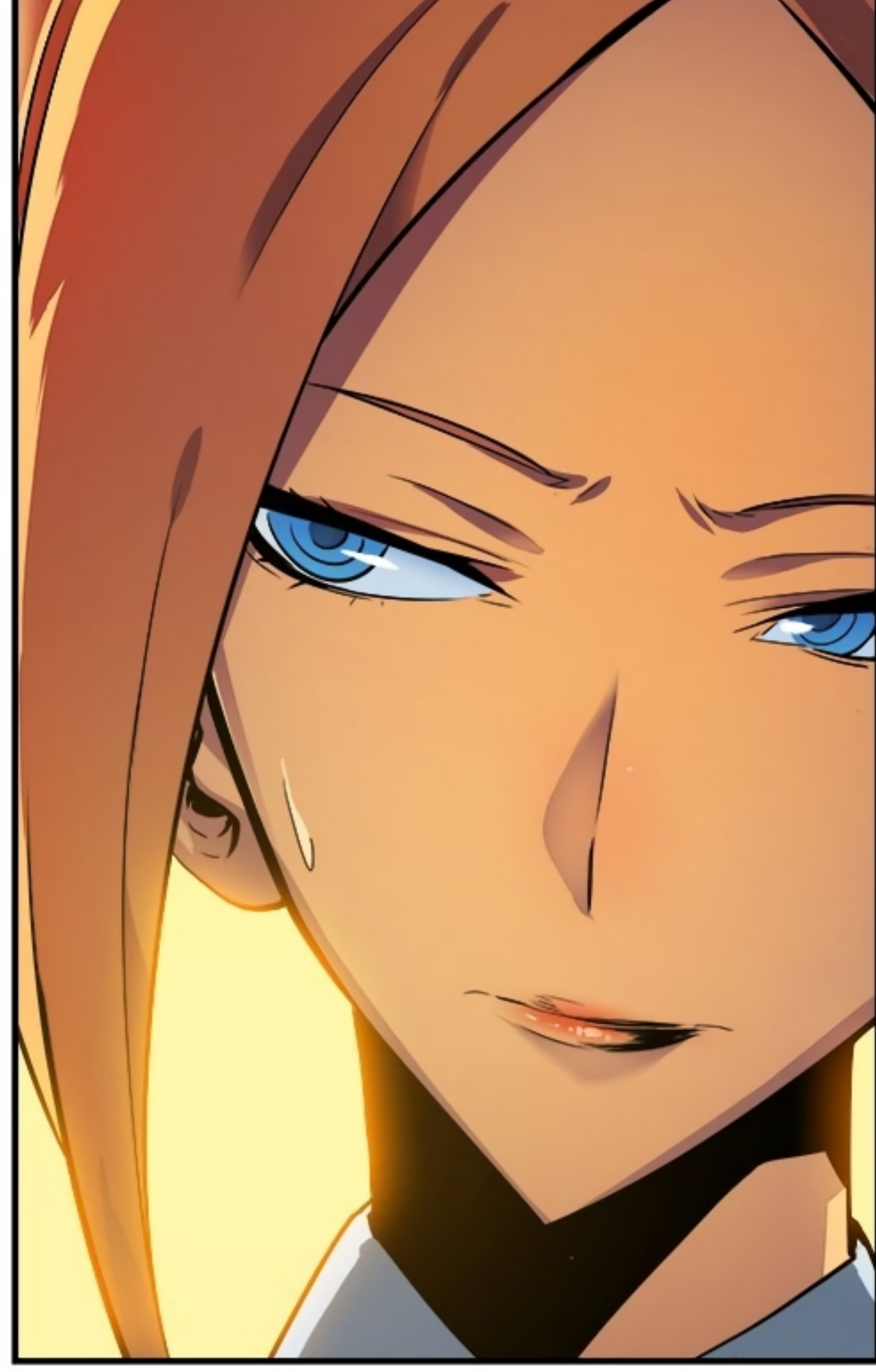
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...

ARE YOU BEING  
SERIOUS, SIR?



...THE U.S.  
DOESN'T HAVE ANY SET  
AGREEMENTS WITH KOREA  
ON THE EXTRADITION OF  
HUNTERS THAT COMMIT  
CRIMES.

SINCE  
YOU'RE AN AMERICAN  
HUNTER, YOU WOULD STAND  
TRIAL IN A U.S. COURT. THE  
GOVERNMENT WOULD  
PROBABLY NEGOTIATE





TO GIVE YOU A LIGHT SENTENCE.

THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR.

WHIR

WHIR


SOME BASTARDS MURDERED MY OLDER BROTHER.

I WON'T REST UNTIL I SEE THE FACES OF THOSE SCUMBAGS...!

CRUSH

S-RANK HUNTER  
HWANG DONGSOO  
(SCAVENGER GUILD)





...ALL EIGHT MEMBERS OF THE STRIKE SQUAD, INCLUDING MY BROTHER, DIED WHILE THE REMAINING TWO HUNTERS SURVIVED?

THE SURVIVORS WERE A D-RANK AND AN E-RANK.

DONGSUK ISN'T THE TYPE OF PERSON TO GIVE UP HIS LIFE FOR A WEAKER TEAMMATE.

ALSO, THEY WEREN'T EVEN OFFICIAL MEMBERS OF THE SQUAD. THEY WERE FILLERS.

THOSE BASTARDS MUST'VE SET A TRAP AND KILLED DONGSUK!

THIS IS WHY I ALWAYS TOLD HIM THAT HE CAN'T DO ANYTHING WITHOUT ME...

I NEED TO VISIT KOREA. CAN YOU CLEAR MY SCHEDULE?

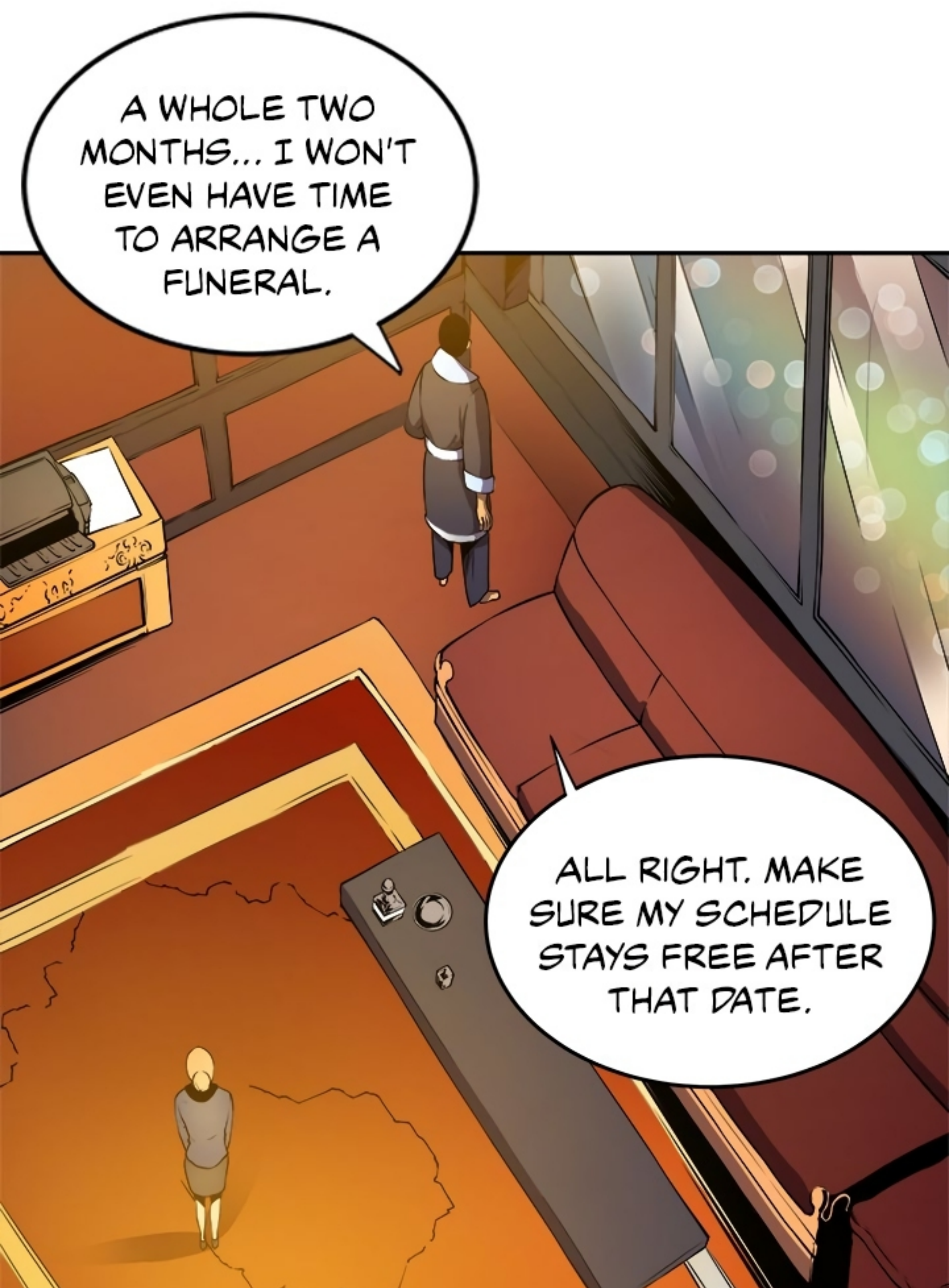
BUT MR. HWANG, THE GUILD'S ACTIVITIES WILL BE AT A STANDSTILL IF YOU TAKE A SUDDEN LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

WHAT DOES MY SCHEDULE LOOK LIKE?



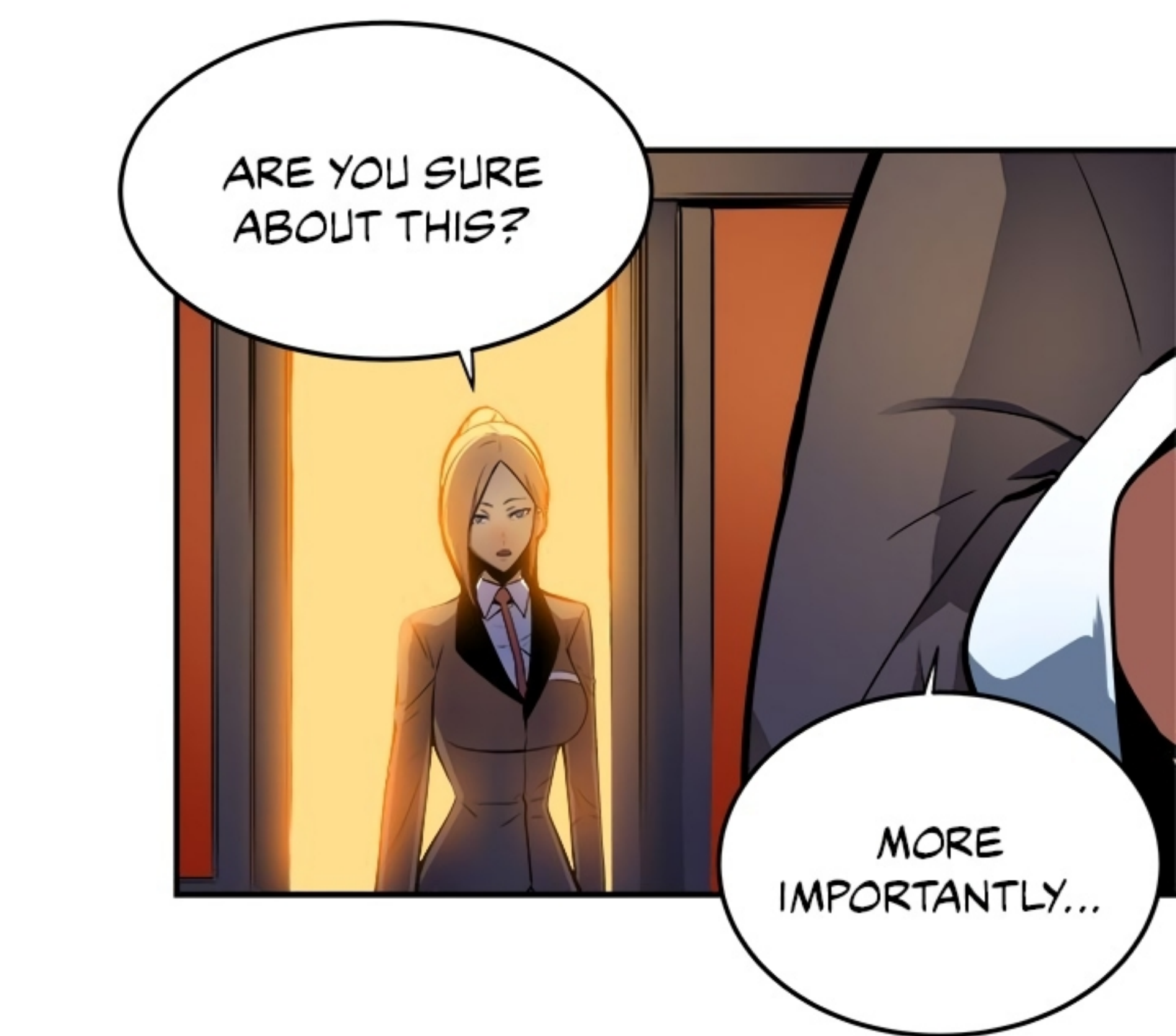


YOU'RE  
COMPLETELY  
BOOKED FOR  
THE NEXT TWO  
MONTHS.



A WHOLE TWO  
MONTHS... I WON'T  
EVEN HAVE TIME  
TO ARRANGE A  
FUNERAL.

ALL RIGHT. MAKE  
SURE MY SCHEDULE  
STAYS FREE AFTER  
THAT DATE.



ARE YOU SURE  
ABOUT THIS?

MORE  
IMPORTANTLY...









-PUSH-UPS

[200/100] ✓

-SIT-UPS

[200/100] ✓

-SQUATS

[200/100] ✓

-RUN

[20/10KM] ✓

NOW THAT I'VE  
DONE TWICE AS MUCH  
AS WHAT WAS REQUIRED, THE  
DAILY QUEST TURNED INTO  
A "HIDDEN QUEST."





[ITEM: **KEY TO THE DEMONS' CASTLE**]

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: **S**

TYPE: KEY

THIS KEY ALLOWS YOU TO ENTER THE **DUNGEON: DEMONS' CASTLE**. THIS ITEM CAN BE USED AT DAESUNG TOWER IN THE SONGPA DISTRICT.

I KIND OF KNEW I'D GET A BETTER REWARD THIS TIME, BUT I CAN'T BELIEVE I GOT AN S-RANK ITEM.

I WONDER IF HIDDEN QUESTS ARE ONLY GIVEN WHEN I'VE EXCEEDED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DAILY QUEST.

SELECT A REWARD.

CHOOSE A REWARD FROM BELOW.

REWARD 1. STATUS RECOVERY

REWARD 2. ABILITY POINTS +3

REWARD 3. RANDOM BLESSED LOOT BOX (SELECT)

REWARD 3. RANDOM CURSED LOOT BOX (SELECT)

ACCEPT ALL YOUR REWARDS?

ACCEPT

DECLINE

THIS COULD BE A ONE-TIME THING.

I CHOSE A "RANDOM BLESSED LOOT BOX," SO I PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO GET THE "RANDOM CURSED LOOT BOX."

ANYWAY, I GOT A DUNGEON KEY, SO I SHOULD ENTER.












IF THE KEY'S  
LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY  
IS THE SAME AS THE  
DUNGEON RANK, THAT  
WOULD MEAN...







...THIS  
IS AN S-RANK  
DUNGEON!


I HAVE  
NO CHANCE OF  
SURVIVING THIS!

IT'S NOT A GIVEN THAT  
THE DUNGEON'S RANK  
WILL MATCH THE ITEM'S  
LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY, OR  
HOW HARD IT WAS TO  
OBTAIN THE ITEM.

BUT IT SURE  
DOES SEEM TO  
BE THAT WAY...

SINCE THE E-RANK  
KEY LED TO AN EASY  
DUNGEON THAT FELT  
LIKE IT WAS E-RANK.

WHAT IF THE ITEM'S  
LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY IS  
ACTUALLY EQUIVALENT TO  
THE DUNGEON'S LEVEL?



I STILL HAVE  
THAT TELEPORTATION  
STONE I OBTAINED FROM  
THE INSTANCE DUNGEON,  
SO I'LL USE IT AS SOON  
AS THINGS GET TOO  
DANGEROUS.

THE ONLY THING  
I CAN DO IN THIS  
SITUATION IS TO  
GIVE IT MY ALL.



JINHO AND  
I HAVE TO CLEAR  
C-RANK DUNGEONS BY  
OURSELVES FROM  
NOW ON.



IN ORDER TO  
DO THAT, I NEED TO  
KNOW EXACTLY HOW  
STRONG I AM.



IF I GIVE UP JUST BECAUSE  
I'M SCARED, I WON'T BECOME  
ANY STRONGER.

[THE GATEKEEPER OF HELL, CERBERUS!]







I'M GOING TO BECOME  
EVEN MORE POWERFUL...



I CAN'T  
LET MYSELF DIE  
HERE.

...AND LEVEL UP!



To Be Continued...

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